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MEMORANDUM FOR ALMAJCOM/SG

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SUBJECT: Air Force 2013-2014 Influenza Immunization Program Guidance

This memo and attached guidance provide implementation instructions for the 2013-14 Influenza Immunization Program. This guidance supplements AFJI 48-110, Immunizations and Chemoprophylaxis, and the 21 June 2013 memorandum from ASD (HA), Guidance for the Use of Influenza vaccine for the 2013-2014 Influenza Season.

Air Force medical staff will administer influenza vaccine to all military members in accordance with AFJI 48-110, and will offer vaccines to eligible beneficiaries as appropriate. Adequate influenza vaccine supplies to immunize the DoD beneficiary population are expected to arrive at Military Treatment Facilities (MTFs) early in the 2013-2014 flu season. MTF staff must ensure vaccination of all mission-critical military personnel and high-risk beneficiaries, but there is no need to delay immunization for normal-risk beneficiaries while the mission-critical and high-risk vaccination is accomplished. Begin vaccinating as soon as vaccine is received.

Immunizations personnel and healthcare providers should review the most recent Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommendations for updates and changes. MTF leadership should work to improve vaccination coverage and remove barriers to influenza vaccination. Medical staff and commanders should develop programs to improve vaccination rates among beneficiaries who are at increased risk for influenza-related complications, while maintaining the high level of influenza vaccine coverage previously achieved for military members.

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Attachment:  
USAF Influenza Immunization Program Guide